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Memo to File:

Re: Utelite Products
Summit County, Utah

This mine was visited by Mike Thompson, Ron Daniels, Jill Yonker and Toni Butterfield on the 17th of November 1977. Mr. Fred Mortenson, Site Manager, was contacted onsite and showed the Division's staff the mining and processing facilities which Utelite Products operates to produce expanded shale light aggregate.

The shale from the Mancos Formation is surface mined using heavy equipment and is fed into a gas or coal filled kiln and is sized, cleaned, and eventually hauled from the site in trucks.

The mining operation produces little waste rock and this is deposited in a area specifically designed as a waste dump. The operation is located approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from Rockport Reservoir, but is located adjacent to a dry wash. Mr. Carston Mortenson showed the Division basically how the plant operates and asked about the possibility of opening a surface coal mine in the Coalville Area. A copy of the Federal coal law will be sent to Utelite Products. Since no filings have been received under the Mined Land Reclamation Act for the clay mine, Utelite was informed of its responsibility that the filings should be submitted by the 15th of December 1977.

It appeared that the operator was willing to comply with the reclamation law, but could be taking this responsibility lightly. A reminder will be sent to Utelite Products.

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